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STATE FOR S/PRS JOHN TRATTNER

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SUBJECT:FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE FOR FRENCH NEWSMAN

1.ROLAND FAURE,EDITOR-IN-CHIEF AND FOREIGN EDITOR OF MODERATE-CONSERVATIVE MORNING DAILY L'AUREORE,PLANS TO VISIT U.S. DURING END OF AUGUST AND BEGINNING OF SEPTEMBER.FAURE,WHOSE INTELLIGENT AND READABLE FRONT-PAGE EDITORIALS ARE FREQUENTLY THE BEST TO BE FOUND ON SUBJECTS OF CONCERN TO US,CONSIDERS HIMSELF A GOOD FRIEND,AND,UNTIL RECENT YEARS,TRIED TO VISIT THE U.S. ONCE A YEAR.THIS TIME HE PLANS TO MIX A COUPLE OF WEEKS OF VACATIONING IN NEW ENGLAND WITH A FEW DAYS OF INTERVIEWS IN WASHINGTON AND,HOPEFULLY,PLAINS,GEROGIA. WE FEEL FAURE DESERVES VIP TREATMENT (WHICH HE HAS RECEIVED ON PREVIOUS TRIPS).

2.FAURE WILL BE ARRIVING ATLANTA HYATT REGENCY HOTEL EVENING OF AUGUST 25.HE ASKS TO INTERVIEW JIMMY CARTER OR,FAILING THAT, A SENIOR MEMBER OF HIS STAFF ON AUGUST 26 OR 27 IF POSSIBLE,LATER IF NECESSARY.HE HAS WRITTEN TO HAMILTON JORDAN OF CARTER CAMPAIGN STAFF TO REQUEST APPOINTMENT,BUT WOULD APPRECIATE OUR HELP IN

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FOLLOWING UP.HE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SPEND SOME TIME

TOURING PLAINS AND SURROUNDINGS TO "GET THE FEEL OF THE PLACE."

3.HE WILL ARRIVE IN WASHINGTON AFTERNOON OF AUGUST 30 FOR WHAT HE HOPES WILL BE TWO DAYS OF INTERVIEWS WITH OFFICE DIRECTORS IN EUR,EA,AF,NEA,AND ARA.NATURALLY HE WOULD APPRECIATE TALKS AT ASSISTANT SECRETARY LEVEL SHOULD THESE BE POSSIBLE. HE ASKS THAT

INTERVIEWS BE ABOUT ONE HOUR EACH AND BE SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY JULY 31 AND WEDNESDAY AUGUST 1.HE IS WILLING TO TALK OFF-THE-RECORD. FYI FAURE IS PERSONAL FRIEND OF JOHN TRATTNER AND HOPES TRATTNER WILL WORK WITH HIM TO SOME EXTENT DURING WASHINGTON VISIT. HE WILL LEAVE FOR PARIS SEPTEMBER 2.FAURE DOES NOT SPEAK ENGLISH.HE HOPES STATE WILL PROVIDE INTERPRETER FOR THESE INTERVIEWS AS THEY HAVE IN THE PAST.

4.PLEASE ADVISE.
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